



Graduate Outcomes

The Office of Career Services tracks post-graduation outcomes of for one year after graduation. Information collected and reported are guided by the standards and protocols established by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) the national organization specializing in the employment of the college educated. Each graduating class includes students who graduated in the academic year, i.e. 2016-2017 academic year being July 1, 2016 – July 30, 2017. The graduating class includes all students who completed an associate's or bachelor's degree.

Methodology

Methods to obtain and verify a graduate's post-graduation status from a variety of legitimate sources includes: electronic graduate exit surveys, periodic follow-ups with the graduate via email or telephone, visitations from graduates, phone calls and emails received from the graduate or employer to the college, and other verification such as email, LinkedIn profiles, and communication from faculty.

Statistics of graduate outcomes are defined as graduates who are either employed full-time, part-time, or continued their education. Categories of employment include permanent, contract, and entrepreneur. Employment must be continued or start after the graduation date. Data collected of graduate's employment includes the company name, city, state, position title, duties, start date, hours, and salary if available. Of those graduates who are employed, statistics on field-related employment are determined by graduate's direct or indirect use of skills taught in the field program, and employment within the one-year tracking period.

Continuing education status must begin upon graduation within the reporting period. Information on continuing education status includes the name of the institution, location, program of study, and degree in pursuit. This category is defined as those who have been accepted to and plan to enroll into a program of continued studies. This includes post-associate's degree program, graduate school, or other specialized training. Exemptions of a graduate from post-graduation career outcomes are international student status, active military duty, medical, and death.

Information collected on graduate's post-graduation status is documented in the graduate's records on Wade Career Connection powered by Symplicity CSM database system. With these statistics, percentages of employment and continued education of Wade College recent graduates are calculated, both overall and from each academic program. Information of reported outcomes is collective to maintain the confidentiality of students and graduates.

Feedback from graduate outcomes is used as institutional research on the adequacy of curriculum competencies, learning outcomes, and program reviews. Also, it assists Wade College with coaching and advising students with their career planning. Aggregate information of graduate outcomes provides students with insight into their fields of study and various types of available career opportunities.



Graduation Exit Survey Example

General Information

Student First Name ___
Student Last Name ___
Graduation Month and Year ___
Birthdate (Month/Day/Year) ___
Personal Email Address ___

Recent Degree Received at Wade College:

- Bachelor's Degree
- Associate's Degree

Concentration/Program of Study ____

Graduate Status

Which of the following BEST describes your PRIMARY status after graduation? Please select only ONE of the following categories:

- Employed full-time (30 or more hours per week)
- Employed part-time (on average less than 30 hours per week)
- Enrolled in a program of continuing education
- Planning to continue education in the near future, but not yet enrolled
- Serving in the U.S. military
- Actively Seeking Employment
- Not seeking employment nor continuing education at this time

If your PRIMARY status is employed Full-Time or employed Part-Time, please select the category which BEST describes your employment:

- Employed in a permanent position for a company / organization
- Employed as an Entrepreneur (You have started your own business, brick-and-mortar or e-commerce store, manufacturer, and so forth. You have multiple customers/clients and may employ other individuals in your operations.)
- Employed in a temporary/contract work assignment (You are working for one client, but are working on a specific project, which has a limited timeframe after which you are not likely to be employed by that client)
- Employed freelance (You develop your own projects, complete them, and sell them to clients)
- Employed in a post-graduation internship
- Employed in all other work categories

Are you authorized to permanently work in the U.S.?

- Yes
- No

What is the start date of your position? ____

Current Employer Name ____

Job Location ____

Supervisor Name and Title ____

Your Current Job Title ____

Brief Job Description ____

Hours Per Week ____

Salary__ or Hourly__

How relevant is your current position to your program of study / course skills?
Directly Related | Somewhat Related | Barely Related | Not Related

If your primary status is enrolled in a program of continuing education, provide the following:

Name of Institution | Location | Program of Study | Degree you are pursuing

If your primary status is serving in the U.S. military, provide the following:

Service Branch | Rank